STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter, Commission's own motion,
regarding administration and operation of
the Low-Income and Energy Efficiency Fund.
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Case No. U-13129

At the April 13, 2010 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Orjiakor N. Isiogu, Chairman Hon. Monica Martinez, Commissioner Hon. Greg R. White, Commissioner

AMENDATORY ORDER

On September 15, 2009, the Commission approved a number of grants from the Low-Income and Energy Efficiency Fund (LIEEF). The order provided that one of the grantees, the Department of Human Services, was to receive a total award of \$35 million. The award was subdivided into a grant of \$25,550,000 to supplement the energy crisis portion of the State Emergency Relief program and \$9,450,000 for the arrearage payment program for clients participating in the Winter Protection Plan or similar plan that offers shut-off protection during the heating season.

On March 18, 2010, the Commission issued an amendatory order increasing the total amount of the grant awarded to the Department of Human Services from \$35 million to \$35,636,400.

The Commission has received a request on behalf of the Department of Human Services for authority to utilize the total grant award to supplement the energy crisis portion of the State

Emergency Relief program; no funds will be disbursed under the Department of Human Services' arrearage payment program. The Department of Human Services explains that it can assist more households through the energy crisis portion of the State Emergency Relief program.

With the increasing number of households seeking help with heating bills, the Commission finds it reasonable and in the public interest to amend its September 15, 2009 order. Ordering paragraph A of the September 15, 2009 order shall be amended as follows:

• Department of Human Services - \$35,636,400 to supplement the energy crisis portion of the State Emergency Relief program and provide direct assistance with energy bills for low-income households statewide.

The Commission directs the Commission Staff and the Department of Human Services to prepare amendments to the grant agreement documents that reflect this amendment to the September 15, 2009 order.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- A. Ordering paragraph A of the September 15, 2009 order is amended as follows:
 - Department of Human Services \$35,636,400 to supplement the energy crisis portion of the State Emergency Relief program and provide direct assistance with energy bills for low-income households statewide.
- B. The Commission Staff and the Department of Human Services shall prepare amendments to the grant agreement documents that reflect this amendment to the September 15, 2009 order.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Orjiakor N. Isiogu, Chairman

Monica Martinez, Commissioner

Greg R. White, Commissioner

By its action of April 13, 2010.

Mary Jo Kunkle, Executive Secretary